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OUTLINES.

Dr. J. I. Tharp was shot and killed yesterday at Washington, Ga., by Frank Ruckert, who claimed that Tharp insulted his wife. —— Howard county bank, Nashville, Ark., has suspended payment. —— The Elkins bill to prohibit rebates to shippers passed the House of Representatives. —— In the Senate the Statehood bill came up and the Mormon Church was discussed. —— Eleven jurymen were secured yesterday in the case of A. L. Bishop on trial in Charlotte for murder; the remaining juror it is expected will be obtained to-day. —— British steamers Heatherair and Olivmoor badly damaged by rough weather. —— Town of Grimesland, N. C., practically wiped out by fire; loss $35,000. —— Two schooners sunk near Washington, N. C., during a gale, and several of the crew of each drowned. —— Great Britain, Germany and Italy last night signed the protocols with Venezuela for raising the blockade and for reference of the question of preferential treatment to The Hague tribunal. —— Five thousand dollars worth of diamonds stolen from a jewelry store at Tampa, Fla. —— New York markets: Money on call steady at 2½@3 per cent., closing offered at 2½ per cent.; cotton quiet 9 60c; flour dull but held steady; wheat—spot easier; No. 2 red 83½c; corn—spot easy; No. 2, 61c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine quiet.

WEATHER REPORT

U. S. Dep't of Agriculture, Weather Bureau, Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 13.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 49 degrees; 8 P. M., 56 degrees; maximum, 74 degrees; minimum, 45 degrees; mean, 60 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of month to date, 2.23 inches.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

Washington, Feb. 13—For North Carolina: Increasing cloudiness Saturday, followed by rain; Sunday colder and probably fair, except rain in extreme eastern portion; fresh south winds, becoming north Sunday.

Port Almanac—February 14.

Sun Rises	6.51 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.39 P. M.
Day's Length	10 h. 48 M.
High Water at Southport	9.40 A. M.
High Water Wilmington	12.10 P. M.

Col. Yankoff is the head of the Macedonian insurgents. If the Turks grab him they will yank off his head.

Anthracite coal has been discovered in Van Couver island. It is a good quality of anthracite, but at some depth the vein merges into bituminous.

If that forgotten patriot who wrote pamphlets in 1833 deprecating the decadence of this country and the rush for wealth lived now, what would he think about it?

A Kentucky preacher says life is held so cheaply in that State that even the women most admire the fellow who is quickest on the trigger. That's the fellow who is likely to hold out the longest.

Two hundred and twenty-three homicides in South Carolina last year, according to the official returns. Isn't the experiment of dispensing with the dispensaries and the Tillmans at least worth trying?

"Atlanta will probably make a bid for the next State fair," says the *Journal*. Of course. Is there anything "in the heavens above, or in the earth beneath, or in the waters under the earth" that Atlanta will not bid for?

An Americus, Ga., dispatch says negro sharpers in that section are playing the ex-slave pension game and fleecing the colored flock, some of whom have gone to the towns to get the pensions they were made to believe were waiting for them.

Speaker Henderson denies that he is blocking anti-trust legislation. He has no relations with the oil trust or any other trust. The fact is he doesn't like trusts and was the first Republican statesman to chunk a rock at them, long before Roosevelt had discovered or jumped on them.

A man in Bethlem, Pa., who had been totally blind for thirty-seven years got tangled up in the belting of some machinery and was choked almost to death before his release. He was compensated, however, for the choking, by the complete recovery of his sight, which the doctors attribute to the violent choking.

It is charged that while Mr. Bowen is Minister to Venezuela and drawing pay as such, he is acting as the paid agent of President Castro, having received a $5,000 fee, and therefore in his double role occupies a somewhat unique position. That may be, and it may also be observed that he is doing business in a somewhat unique fashion, too.

A BRUTAL ASSAULT.

Colored Woman in "Brooklyn" Struck Child With Billet of Lightwood.

INSOLENCE OF SOME NEGROES

Tendency Viewed With Apprehensiveness. Mayor Gave the Offender Sound Advice—Attack Upon White Man and His Wife Last Night.

There is no denying the fact that the more irresponsible class of negroes in Wilmington are growing more and more insolent each day and unless a check comes some time, their conduct may lead to serious trouble. Two glaring instances of this tendency upon the part of shiftless negroes came to the attention of the authorities yesterday and last night.

In the municipal court at noon, Mary Jane Battle, a colored woman who lives in an alley back of Mr. John English's home on Swann, between Fourth and Fifth streets, was arraigned before Mayor Waddell on a charge of having assaulted Mr. English's little 10-year-old daughter, Eva, with a billet of lightwood. The child's mother was in the house sewing and she wandered from the back yard to the colored woman's place. Very soon the mother heard the girl cry and coming to the door, she saw her fleeing home with an ugly gash, one and a half inches long, in the fore part of her head. Mrs. English ran out and reported the occurrence to Policeman I. F. Huggins. At first several colored woman who saw the occurrence, refused to say who hit the child, but in a few minutes evidence was secured fixing the assault upon the Battle woman, and she was forthwith arrested. At court yesterday she pleaded that she was drunk and didn't know what she was doing, but Mayor Waddell took that for no excuse and sent her to jail in default of $50 bond for the higher court, saying to her that she was fortunate that the father of the child, who was absent as a member of the city street force, did not take summary revenge upon her. The little girl appeared with her mother in court yesterday, the wound having been dressed by a surgeon.

The other instance of glaring insolence occurred last night about 8:30 o'clock in another part of the city. Mr. James Marine and his wife had started to visit Mr. J. P. O'Sullivan, and while on Orange, between Eighth and Ninth streets, they passed six or seven negroes. One of them deliberately began firing stones at Mr. and Mrs. Marine, and one of them struck Mr. Marine in the right side, prostrating him to the sidewalk. His wife managed to get him to the residence of a friend, where a physician attended him. Mr. Marine has no idea as to the identity of the negroes who attacked him. No arrests had been made last night.

LOCAL DOTS.

— A correspondent of the Columbia *State* refers to a cocking main as a "function." Blessed Tony!

— Attention is directed to the excellent showing made by the Atlantic Trust and Banking Co. from its report to the Corporation Commission, published in another column.

— Kate Fisher, colored, went to the roads for 60 days from the Mayor's court yesterday. She was drunk and disorderly at Front and Dock streets and was arrested by Policeman E. R. Chadwick.

— The *Presbyterian Standard* this week presents on its cover page an excellent half-tone likeness of the Rev. Joseph R. Wilson, D. D., formerly of Wilmington, who died recently at Princeton, N. J.

— In the absence of the pastor, Rev. Geo. B. Webster, who is still at Chadbourn assisting in a revival meeting, Rev. J. W. Craig will preach at Bladen Street M. E. church on Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.

— By deed filed for record yesterday, Charles Watters, of Harnett township, transferred to his son, Chas. W. Walters, also of Harnett township, for $1 and other considerations, tract of land on Middle Sound containing seven acres, more or less.

— One of the prettiest calendars for the new year is being sent out by Mr. J. T. Burke, the popular jeweller at 27 South Front street. The calendar is a veritable work of art and advertises in a splendid way the select stock of watches, clocks, diamonds and other jewelry carried by Mr. Burke.

L'Arioso's February German.

L'Arioso German Club last night gave its regular monthly dance in the Masonic Temple ball room and it was a charming success. Mr. Clayton Giles, Jr., led the figures and about 30 couples participated. The decorations were unusually pretty and were the product of the Wilmington Floral Company's skilled artist. The music was by Hollowbush's Orchestra.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Atlantic Trust and Banking Co.—Report.

Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.—Statement

Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co.—Delgado and Golf Club.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Notice—Advertisements.
C. B. Wheldon—Cotton sale.
Hugh MacRae & Co.—Stock wanted

FIRE PROTECTION.

Chamber of Commerce Appoints Committee to Investigate the Water Front.

MARKETS AND SHIPPING.

Week in Naval Stores and Cotton, With Heavy Receipts of the First Named Distressed Steamers—Crew of Ill-Fated Barquentine.

The Chamber of Commerce is moving for better fire protection to property on the river front in the city. The matter has been discussed for several months in a quiet way, but nothing tangible had been arrived at until at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Chamber a few days ago, the president was instructed to appoint a committee to take the subject under advisement, formulate some concerted agreement and wait upon the Board of Aldermen with a view of having something done. The committee appointed by President Chadbourn is as follows: Mr. J. A. Arringdale (chairman,) Messrs. C. C. Chadbourn, H. K. Nash, M. J. Heyer and D. L. Gore. The committee is requested to investigate (1) The matter of better protection to property on the wharf, between Red Cross and Harnett streets, requesting the Aldermen to place proper hydrants and, (3) If in the committee's judgment it is proper, to investigate the danger from fire at the Standard Oil Company's plant. As this property is protected by high embankments on three sides, the committee is asked, should not some wall or higher sand bank be placed on the West side so as to prevent the oil from running into the river, in case of fire, thus endangering property on the wharf. Members of the committee yesterday received notice of their appointment.

The receipts of naval stores at this port for the week ended yesterday averaged over a hundred per cent. larger than for the corresponding period last season. The high prices are no doubt responsible for the increase as all the stock possible was rushed to market. There were no changes in quotations yesterday. The crop year receipts show increases in all items except tar and in that there is a falling off of less than 300 casks. The figures for the week are as follows: Spirits 181; rosin, 3,365; tar, 2,760; crude, 263. Last year: Spirits, 79; rosin, 1,752; tar, 1,676; crude, 99. Crop year to date: Spirits, 18,091; rosin, 93,118; tar, 52,626; crude, 31,893. Last year to same date: Spirits, 16,094; rosin, 8,871; tar, 53,922; crude, 18,913.

Under advices from the owners of the barquentine *E. S. Powell*, which was lost off the North Carolina coast Monday, Capt. Donald Wright and crew of nine men, yesterday reported to Messrs. J. T. Riley & Co., the owners' agents in Wilmington, and were paid off in full. Capt. Wright, Mate Weichert and Steward Jos. Healy will leave this afternoon for New York. The remaining members of the crew are being cared for at the Seamen's Home and will probably ship on some vessel leaving Wilmington at their earliest opportunity.

For account of the underwriters, the captain of the disabled steamer *Daventry*, which has just proceeded to Baltimore for repairs, will sell at public auction at the Champion Compress next Wednesday at 3 P. M., 288 bales of sea island cotton, which is damaged to some extent by water. Official notice of the sale is given in another column.

The local cotton market advanced yesterday to 9¼ cents for middling; receipts 667 bales, against 2,233 bales same day last year. Receipts for the week ended yesterday were only 2,211 bales; same week last year, 8,592 bales. Receipts since Sept. 1st have been 304,241 bales, against 237,028 bales during a corresponding period last season.

The British steamer *Savan*, 1668 tons, Capt. Hunter, bound from Belize, Brazil, to London, with a cargo of mahogony, having completed slight repairs to her boilers and having received a supply of coal, proceeded from Southport at 8:15 A. M. yesterday. She put in there on Monday and reported to her agents here, Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Mr. Will L. Miller, local manager for the Acme Tea Chest Co. in this city, left last night for Norfolk in connection with the steamer *Garlands*, which was bound here for a cargo of veneering timber, but which grounded near Big Kinnakeet, was subsequently floated and proceeded to Norfolk. Mr. Miller will arrange for another steamer to come here for a cargo as soon as possible.

Little Girl Broke An Arm.

Jessie Lee, the little ten-year-old daughter of Mr. Joe F. Farrow, machinist at the Wilmington Cotton Mills, suffered a painful fracture of both bones in her left arm while at play at the Union School yesterday at noon. Her little brother, a messenger boy at the Western Union office, suffered a fracture of the thigh by being run over by a wagon on Nutt street about ten days ago and is just recovering at the hospital. The little girl injured yesterday was removed to the residence of her parents, 807 South Front street, and Dr. Wright Hall set the arm. At last accounts she was doing very well.

— Mr. R. M. Wescott returned yesterday from a business trip through Bladen and Pender.

GEN. CHAFFEE'S VISIT

The Party Yesterday Inspected Fort Caswell and Left for Washington, D. C.

DELIGHTFUL RIVER TRIP.

Distinguished Visitors Most Hospitably Received by Captain Winslow, U. S. A. Engineering Corps, and Major Landeen, of Army Post.

Maj. General Adna R. Chaffee, commanding the Department of the East, U. S. A., whose arrival with his staff from Charleston, S. C., was noted in these columns yesterday, left last evening for Washington, D. C., having completed a thorough and very satisfactory personal inspection of the army post at Caswell. Gen. Chaffee and party will rest from their arduous duties a few days in Washington and will go next week to Fortress Monroe to visit the coast defences in that vicinity.

The trip to Fort Caswell yesterday was a delightful one. The day was ideal, and Gen. Chaffee and members of his staff expressed great admiration of the splendid climate here. The party left at 9 A. M. after breakfasting at The Orton, on the pretty little government steamer *Mary Lilly* and arrived at Caswell in good time. They were met by Maj. J. A. Lundeen, commanding the fortification, and the distinguished visitors were honored befitting their positions. The inspection was rather hurried but none the less thorough, and it is safe to hazard the opinion that it was satisfactory. Gen. Chaffee had an excellent opportunity of viewing the wonderful possibilities of developing Caswell into one of the finest garrisons on the South Atlantic Coast and it is expected that his visit here will be full of significance in this particular. Of course, Gen. Chaffee would not speak of what recommendations would be made in regard to the enlargement or development of the defence.

The party left the Fort at 3 P. M. and an elegant luncheon was served aboard the steamer by Capt. E. E. Winslow, in charge of the Engineering Corps at Wilmington. The return trip was without incident save a slight accident which befell the steamer six miles below Wilmington, This, however, was soon remedied and after an hour's delay the party reached here at 6:35 o'clock and hurriedly boarded the cars at the Front street station for Washington.

For this reason the Chamber of Commerce committee appointed to welcome Gen. Chaffee upon his return, could only call at his hotel and through a Lieutenant, who did not accompany the party, assure the celebrated army officer of their distinguished consideration and hearty welcome to the city. The committee was composed of Mayor A. M. Waddell, Col. Walker Taylor, Paymaster General, North Carolina State Guard, and Lieut. Col. T. C. James, Third Regiment, North Carolina State Guard.

STEPHEN KEYES, ESQ., DEAD.

Well Known and Aged Citizen of New Hanover Passed Away Thursday.

Stephen Keyes, Esq., an aged citizen of the county, died Thursday evening at his home in Federal Point township, where he had resided since before the war. Mr. Keyes was 83 years of age and had been in failing health for several years. Two or three months ago he had a fall and suffered a fracture of one of his limbs which contributed with the infirmities of his age to his death. The funeral was conducted yesterday afternoon from the late residence and the interment was on Myrtle Grove Sound.

Mr. Keyes was a native of Massachusetts and taught shool for a number of years after coming South. Just after the war he was a prominent Republican politician of the county and served at different times in the seventies as chairman and a member of the Board of County Commissioners. In late years, however, he led a quiet life on his farm in the country, enjoying a competency gained in his earlier days. Mr. Keyes is survived by six children—Misses Mary, Lizzie and Ida Keyes and Messrs. William, Thomas and John Keyes, all of Myrtle Grove Sound.

Miss Paddison Entertained.

Miss Nell Paddison yesterday evening charmingly entertained a number of her friends at her home, No. 312 North Fourth street, in honor of her 18th birthday. Miss Paddison was assisted in receiving by her sister, Miss Maude Paddison, and Mrs. J. C. Paddison, and during the evening many friends called to extend their best wishes and happiest congratulations. The decorations were very pretty and consisted of ferns, palms and ivy. Delicious refreshments were served and the guests were most hospitably entertained in every respect.

Depredations Must Cease.

Unknown miscreants several times recently have lifted the cannon balls off the parapet fence around the Wilmington Light Infantry armory and have disfigured them in one way and another until the owners are determined to put a stop to it, even if an officer has to be secreted on the premises in wait for the depredators. Yesterday Mayor Waddell was appealed to and he gave the W. L. I. authorities every assurance of the co-operation of the city in putting a stop to the flagrant violation of the law.

PILOTAGE REFORM.

Brief Synopsis of Bill Introduced at Request of Chamber of Commerce Thursday.

HEARING NEXT WEDNESDAY.

Both Parties to Controversy Will Send Up a Strong Lobby—Law Remains Compulsory on Vessels Spoken Off the Bar—Rates, Etc.

Next Wednesday is the day set by the Judiciary Committee of the Legislature at Raleigh to hear both sides to the pilotage controversy, which has been brewing at the port of Wilmington in commercial circles during the past month. Yesterday it was stated in the Raleigh telegrams to the Star that a bill readjusting the pilotage laws had been introduced in the Senate by Mr. Brown, of Columbus, and that the same had been referred to the Judiciary Committee for hearing. Both sides will send up large delegations to work for their interests and each will be represented by able counsel.

Mr. J. A. Arringdale, chairman of the Legislative Committee of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce, which is contending for a rearrangement of the laws, and Mr. George Harriss, a member of the Board of Commissioners of Navigation and Pilotage at Wilmington, which is favorable to only a few minor, if any, changes, returned yesterday from Raleigh, where they had been in the interest of their respective positions on the bill introduced in behalf of the Commerce Chamber.

A Star representative yesterday procured a copy of the bill and a faithful synopsis of its features, as far as possible, is as follows:

As heretofore the boards of aldermen of Wilmington and Southport at one of their meetings in June of each year shall appoint five and two members, respectively, to compose the Board of Commissioners of Navigation and Pilotage, but the change is made that no appointee shall be a licensed pilot or an agent or owner of vessels subject to pilotage, entering or clearing at this port, coastwise or foreign. The powers of the Board remain practically the same except as to the appointment of harbor master, whose fees are made $1 upon each vessel, instead of $3 as heretofore, but making the same compulsory upon all vessels, instead of discretionary with vessels as now.

The port wardens are elective by the Commissioners each year and do not hold office for life as now, their duties and fees remaining about the same, viz: $10 each for surveys at Wilmington, $12 for a survey at the "Flats" and $15 for a survey at Fort Johnson.

Each Commissioner or any justice of the peace of New Hanover or Brunswick counties are given power to settle disputes between masters of vessels and pilots, instead of a majority of the Commissioners as heretofore, their jurisdiction remaining under $60.

A new schedule of rates of pilotage is provided, reducing the same about 30 per cent. on an average, the reduction being heaviest on the larger vessels. Every vessel over 60 tons is compelled to employ a pilot, if spoken before crossing the bar under the same regulations as now, except at the reduced rates. It is provided that coastwise vessels of the United States, upon the payment of one inland bar pilotage at the rates prescribed and the further payment of ten cents per net ton, instead of 25 cents as now, shall be exempt of bar pilotage inward or outward, for the period of one year, and shall be licensed upon a payment of a fee of $3 to the Board of Commissioners for the same. No vessel subject to bar pilotage which shall have reached the bar inward bound and passed or being in the act of passing the bar, before having been spoken by a pilot, shall be compelled to pay pilotage either inward or outward for the passage of the bar inward or outward on the trip then made; and no vessel, foreign or coastwise, shall be compelled to employ the services of a pilot or to pay pilotage after crossing the bar and above the anchorage grounds at Southport; but if the pilot shall be employed he shall receive the rates prescribed.

The penalty on pilots not attending when requested and the rate of pilotage when a vessel is detained remain the same. No master of a vessel is required to take a pilot on board or pay for pilotage who is or has been a full branch pilot or employs one as first mate. The Commissioners are empowered to determine how many decked boats are necessary for the attendance on the bars in which decked boats any number of pilots, not exceeding five, may act and be concerned as partners and joint owners.

The present Board of Commissioners of Navigation, viz: Messrs. Thomas Evans, Geo. Harriss, James Sprunt, C. W. Worth, Samuel Northrop, J. W. Craig and S. F. Craig are retained as such until the act goes into effect June 1st, 1903.

Dr. Blackwell's Resignation.

The Executive Committee of the First Baptist Church will meet in the pastor's study at 10.30 A. M. Sunday. At this meeting Dr. Blackwell will give his final answer as to the withdrawal of his resignation, tendered last week to accept a call to the First church of Norfolk. It may be said almost positively that Dr. Blackwell will not withdraw the resignation and will accept the call to Norfolk. His promise to consider last Monday the withdrawal gave faint hope at first, but this has been now about abandoned.

LIQUOR LEGISLATION.

Another Rapid-Fire Discussion in the House Over Watts' Bill Yesterday.

HELD A NIGHT SESSION.

Doings of the General Assembly in Raleigh Yesterday—Tax on Dispensaries Proposed—Relief for the University—Other Notes.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 13.—In the House to-day Hinton, of Pasquotank, made the first speech on the Watts Whiskey bill. He spoke with vigor in favor of the bill. In answer to question by Morton, Hinton admitted he signed a paper in his county before the election to leave the whiskey question to a vote of the people.

Benbow, of Yadkin, spoke against the bill and favored the amendment offered by Morton to leave the question to a vote of the people.

The Smith bill was offered as a substitute by its author for the original bill and all amendments. Smith spoke at length in support of the measure. This provides for a vote on all question relating to the whiskey traffic.

Newland, of Caldwell, eloquently advocated the Watts bill.

Murphy, of Rowan, offered his bill, introduced several days ago, as a substitute, and made a ringing speech in its support.

The House adjourned until 8 o'clock to-night.

The Watts bill goes over as unfinished business for to-morrow.

The only notable bills introduced in the House to day were:

Robeson, for the relief and support of the State University, appropriating $35,000.

Harrington, of Harnett, to regulate hunting in Lillington township.

During the night session, from 8 to 10:30 o'clock, fifteen bills were passed. Notable ones being to amend the charter of Bayboro; to protect claims in Pender county; to provide for the establishment and enlargement of the libraries of public schools of the State, and to change the time of holding courts in Brunswick county.

In the Senate to-day the bill to prohibit the sale of fire-crackers over three inches long, toy pistols, spring and air guns, came up. After adopting all the amendments, exempting the counties of Alleghany, Ashe, Watauga, Edgecombe, Montgomery, New Hanover, Wake and Brunswick, by a vote of 22 to 15 the whole thing was tabled and the defeat of the measure was greeted with applause on the floor and in the lobbies.

The Senate bill requiring railroads to give notice by ringing bells and blowing whistles on approach of all trains, to persons on the track, was made the special order for next Wednesday.

The Senate bill to establish a North Carolina Prison Parole Commission was taken up, having been re-called from the House. Pharr argued against the bill. It was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Among the bills passed third reading was the House bill to incorporate the North Carolina Farmers' Protective Association; the Senate bill to shorten the time for notice by publication, making it four weeks instead of six weeks; Senate bill to amend section 367 of the Code, and the bill to allow State libraries to exchange with other States.

Senator Woodard rose to a question of personal privilege, and had the clerk to read an editorial in to-day's *News and Observer* headed, "Will Be Neither." Mr. Woodard called upon the Senators to witness that the editorial was false. The statements in the editorial were characterized as "false, defamatory and libellous and not borne out by the report of the proceedings in the same paper." He had known the editor since boyhood and had been his friend, but would not ask to retain such friendship when it was to be purchased only by attacking those that the editor attacked and supporting measures the *Observer* favored.

He was not surprised that the editor quoted Republican authority for his well known fusion proclivities made his radical quotations like Elyses, returning to his own. He bestowed on the editor's editorial his "commiseration and contempt."

Senator Brown, for the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, sent up the London bill with a regret that it be allowed to pass. Senator Warren sent up a minority report against the bill and in favor of the Warren substitute. Both were ordered printed and were made the special order for next Thursday.

Senator Bellamy introduced a bill to correct certain probates and registrations in Brunswick.

The Senate adjourned in honor of the late Dr. J. L. M. Curry.

The Joint Committee on Finance which has under consideration the Revenue Bill and Machiney Act, has concluded to put a new privilege tax on each dispensary of 2 per cent. of gross receipts. On distilleries a graduated licensed tax is imposed of $25 to $200. On retail liquor dealers $150 for each six months; wholesale dealers $200 for each six months; dealers in malt liquors exclusively, $50 every six months. But this section shall not prevent any one from selling wine of his own manufacture at the place of manufacture in quantities of less than one gallon or brandy sold in original packages of not less than five gallons. One-half of the above tax is to go to the State Treasurer, and the other half to the school fund.

Moreover, each county is required to levy a light tax for county purposes.

The tax on druggists selling liquor is reduced from $50 to $25.

A license tax of $5 is put upon photographers, in place of the graduated tax.

The Joint Finance Committee has not quite completed a revision of the act, so that it cannot be reported to the Legislature before Monday or Tuesday. It had been expected that it would be introduced to-morrow.

— The "million dollar figures" presented in the statement of the Wilmington Savings and Trust Co. to the Corporation Commission at the close of business Feb. 6th, are interesting to prospective depositors. The statement may be found in another column.

STATEMENT OF

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.,

108 Princess Street.

At close of business Feb. 6th, 1903, (condensed from report to Corporation Commission.)

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.	
Furniture and Fixtures	$ 2 00	Capital	$ 25,000 00
Real estate	1,000 00	Deposits	1,003 978 80
Cash on hand and due from banks	105,479 67	Accrued interest due depositors	5,802 73
Loans and Discounts	907,009 81	Profits, less ex. and taxes paid	59,809 77
Total	$1,094,391 98	Total	$1,094,391 8

J. W. NORWOOD, President. H. WALTERS, Vice President.
C. E. TAYLOR, Jr., Cashier.

DIRECTORS:

J. V. Grainger, J. W. Norwood, H. Walters, N. B. Rankin, H. L. Vollers, J. W. Yates, Donald MacRae, D. O'Connor.

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THE ATLANTIC TRUST AND BANKING CO.,

Wilmington, N. C.

Report to the North Carolina Corporation Commission, February 6th, 1903.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Discounts	$196,000 22	Capital Stock paid in	$ 50,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures	400 00	Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	7,138 86
Cash on hand, Due from Banks	4,608 14	Deposits subject to check	178,402 50
		Interest due depositors	1,600 00
	$241,998 36		$241,998 36

State of North Carolina, county of New Hanover—ss:
I, M. F. Allen, Cashier of the Atlantic Trust and Banking Co., do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. M. F. ALLEN, Cashier.
Correct Attest:
Directors—J. G. L. Gieschen, L. B. Rogers, C. W. Yates.
Sworn to before me this 13th day of February, 1903.
feb 14 tf W. C. ARMSTRONG, Notary Public.

"MOUNTAIN WAIF" THE OPENING BILL.

Popular Mabel Paige and Her Excellent Company All Next Week.

Already the sale of seats for the opening performance of Miss Mabel Paige and company at the Academy Monday night has been large enough to warrant the safe prediction that the audience will be of "standing room only" proportions. Owing to innumerable requests it has been decided to repeat the beautiful drama, "A Mountain Waif." Both Miss Paige and Messrs. Cowan Bros. only consented to this repetition after the most ardent play-goers had insisted upon their doing so. This will be the only play repeated, the remainder of the repertoire being as follows: Tuesday, "Beyond the Rockies;" Wednesday, "A Prince of Detectives;" Thursday, "Brother Against Brother;" Friday, "Under Two Flags."

It has been decided to give but one matinee, which will be Saturday afternoon. The bills for the matinee and Saturday night have not been selected as yet.

The play for Monday night has been pronounced by our theatre-goers as the best bill ever presented by any popular priced company in this city. It is of a high standard, possessing a strong plot of intense heart interest and a great comedy vein. As the mountain waifs Miss Paige appears to marked advantage, while Mr. DePew gives a finished portrayal of a son of old Erin. The Paige company produces the piece with magnificent scenery and effects. Between acts a new line of specialties will be presented, including the beautiful spectacular dances of the Great Martynne.

Y. M. C. A. BASKET BALL.

Spirited Contest Last Night Won by the "Reds"—Game This Afternoon.

The game of basket ball at the Y. M. C. A. last night was witnessed by a large and enthusiastic crowd of those who enjoy the sport. Many ladies were present to cheer their friends to victory and judging from the score there was little difference in the volume of cheers. The game was fast and exciting from start to finish and neither side was sure of victory until after the last goal was thrown. The score was 18 to 19 in favor of the Reds, captained by W. Dosher. There were many fine plays on both sides. The feature of the game which caused the most enthusiasm was a long throw from the end of the hall by J. L. Davis, resulting in a goal. There will be another game next Friday night.

This afternoon the junior members will play the second game of their series. The Yellows and Blues will be the opponents. They will line up as follows:

Blues—Forwards, Utley King, J. Wilkinson (capt.); center, Clem Brown; guards, B. Newkirk, W. Miller.

Yellows—Forwards, James Wade, (capt.), Lacy King; center, L. Belden; gaurds, F. Hasbagen, W. Von-Glahn.

The game will begin promptly at 4 o'clock. No admission will be charged.

ORIENT LODGE, A. F. & A. M.

Special Communication Last Night, With Pleasant Social Features.

The special communication last night of Orient Lodge No. 395, A. F. & A. M., for work in the Master's Degree, was more than ordinarily of interest because of a delightful social feature accompanying it. The reception committee was composed of Messrs. M. S. Willard, W. H. Chadbourn and H. G. Smallbones, while Worshipful Master William Dougal McMillan presided over the lodge. Mr. James C. Munds was master of the social ceremonies.

The musical features were by the Orient Lodge Quartette, Mr. Edward Harding Munson director, and composed as follows: Messrs. C. H. Cooper, first tenor; Charles McMillan, second tenor; U. M. Robinson, first bass, and H. K. Holden, second bass. Mr. Burdis Anderson also contributed to the programme with an admirably rendered baritone solo.

— Rev. John F. Preston, of Greenville, S. C., who is traveling in the South in the interests of the "Forward" movement for missions by the Presbyterian church, passed through the city yesterday, en route to Maxton. Rev. Mr. Preston will return to Wilmington in the interest of the movement in a week or ten days.

THE AMBULANCE FUND.

Ministering Circle of Wilmington Has Taken Charge of Laudable Work.

At the urgent request of several sympathetic and public spirited citizens of Wilmington the Star opened a subscription list for a fund with which to provide an ambulance for the use of the city or hospital authorities, as might be determined by the subscribers. A similar movement, however, has been inaugurated by the King's Daughters, and it seems unnecessary for the Star to continue its efforts. Subscribers are therefore requested to call for the amounts severally contributed by them.

Two additional contributions were made yesterday, by Mrs. S. Solomon, $5, and Rt. Rev. Bishop A. A. Watson, $10, making the complete list as follows:

Mrs. James F. Payne	$ 5 00
Mr. W. B. Cooper	5 00
Mr. M. S. Willard	10 00
Mr. J. V. Grainger	5 00
Cash	50
Mrs. W. J. H. Bellamy	5 00
A Friend	1 50
Mr. Geo. H. Hutaff	5 00
Master Isaac B. Grainger	1 00
Mrs. W. H. Sprunt	10 00
Mr. B. G. Worth	10 00
Mrs. S. Solomon	5 00
Bishop A. A. Watson	10 00
Total	$73 00

To all of the above the Star is grateful for their responses to an appeal for a noble cause, but under the circumstances related above, it will ask them to call and receive their money back.

The Ministering Circle, King's Daughters, of Wilmington, has withdrawn from the Central Council of King's Daughters and Sons, of New York, and the organization there will now be known as the Ministering Circle. It has accomplished a great work during the past 13 years, having raised $10,500.77 for charitable purposes.

Cape Fear Camp of Veterans.

Cape Fear Camp No. 254, U. C. V. held a large and enthusiastic regular meeting last night at the W. L. I. armory, Commander Woodward presiding and Adjutant A. L. DeRosset and Sergeant Major T. O. Bunting at their respective posts. The business of the meeting was routine and consisted chiefly of the reading of general orders and communications from National and Division headquarters. The committee on revision of the constitution of the Camp reported through Chaplain Carmichael and Comrade T. D. Meares, but under the rules, the changes went over until a subsequent meeting. Several applications for membership were referred to committee. The Adjutant was instructed to remit the per capita tax to headquarters in New Orleans and owing to the exigency of that branch of the U. C. V. a donation was also ordered to be forwarded.

— Chief Charles Schnibben, in behalf of the Fire Department, wishes to publicly thank Capt. Donald MacRae for a supply of fine cigars after the early morning blaze Wednesday.

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SATURDAY MORNING, FEB. 14.

THOSE STANDARD OIL TELEGRAMS.

When it was reported in Washington a few days ago that a number of Senators had received telegrams from John D. Rockefeller urging the defeat of anti-trust measures then pending, and informing the Senators that the "counsel" of the Oil Trust would call upon them, it was received with astonishment by some, with incredulity by others, while others pronounced it a canard or a trick to help those measures through. There were few who believed that John D. Rockefeller would show so little discretion as to take this method of interfering with pending legislation and therefore they concluded that there must be some mistake about it or that there was some trick in it. But before they had well settled down to this conclusion the fact became known that several such telegrams came signed by different persons, none of them by John D. Rockefeller, but one by John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Of course none of them were sent without the knowledge of John D., so that he is as much responsible for them as if he had sent them himself. The Washington *Post* of Tuesday tells the story of the telegrams thus:

There is a great deal of indignation in the Senate over the receipt of nine telegrams from Standard Oil magnates or officials regarding anti-trust legislation, now pending before Congress. These were not all signed by J. D. Rockefeller, but either his signature or that of others, closely associated with the great corporation, were attached to the messages. The language of the telegrams likewise differed, but all were to the same point, that the Standard Oil Company was opposed to the Nelson amendment to the Department of Commerce bill. Mention was generally made that attorneys of the company were in Washington or coming here for purposes of a private hearing.

The authenticity of the telegrams is now well established. They were nearly all received early Saturday, and were sent to nine Republicans, who would be included in all lists of the most prominent men in that body. In large part the telegrams went to men who had no personal acquaintance with Mr. Rockefeller or only slight acquaintance. There was some talk yesterday about senators publicly airing the matter on the floor, but this idea was afterward abandoned.

The origin of the nine telegrams has been pretty closely traced to the suggestion of a pretty prominent Republican politician of the East, who, for two years, has been employed by the Standard Oil Company to do work for them in Washington, sometimes before the departments and sometimes before Congress. It is said on good authority that this Republican suggested the telegrams to Mr. Rockefeller in New York. He is known to have left his home last week for New York in time to have made the suggestion to him.

The indignation of the House side of the Capitol over the affair is even more keen than in the Senate. To a very prominent Republican from the West, whose public life will terminate on March 4, is attributed to the placing of the Standard Oil substitute for the Nelson amendment, so call, before the conference committee by hand of one of the House conferees. The attitude of the distinguished Republican on anti-trust legislation has been known in high administration circles for over a week and efforts made to circumvent him. The report of his hostility to the publicity amendment of the Department of Commerce bill has been circulated among the leading Republicans of the House to such an extent that it is now almost an open secret.

The discussion of the Rockefeller interference in anti-trust legislation was very keenly discussed on all sides in Washington yesterday, especially at the Capitol. At one time a report flew around the Capitol that a high administration official had made public a statement giving in detail the history of the affair and naming four of the nine Senators who received the Rockefeller telegrams. That was based on an official conversation, the contents of which it was not intended should be made public.

This is not a matter of very much importance, but in as much as the authenticity of the telegrams was not only doubted, but positively denied by friends of the Oil Trust, it is just as well that the truth be known. This statement is borne out by Washington telegrams which enter into more detail, and give the names of some of the Senators who received the telegrams after it had been telegraphed that, after careful inquiry, no Senator could be found who had received one of them.

It now seems there were nine. None of these may have received one signed by John D. Rockefeller, but they were all by men who are associated with this gentleman in the oil business, one of them being his son. There is enough it this to at least make Senator Hanna modify the opinion he expressed in speaking of these telegrams, when he said "Rockefeller is neither crazy nor a fool."

It isn't quite apparent why thos telegrams created such a sensation or why they were looked upon as an affront to the dignity of the Senate. If it had been the first time that favored interests, trusts or other kind, had stepped in to put obstacles in the way of or to strangle pending legislation to which they were opposed, it might have created some sensation and caused some indignation, but this has been for years such a common thing in Washington that the statesmen have become accustomed to it, and take it as a matter of course. About the only difference in this case was that the business was somewhat pressing and instead of intrusting it to the professional lobbyist the Standard oil people sent telegrams, informing the Senators that their "counsel" would see them later, and personally present the case to them, with the oil people's objections to the proposed measures. They were simply dispensing with the services of the lobbyist middlemen and doing their business direct through their regularly employed counsel. That was the only thing about it that was unusual or calculated to create any surprise or sensation.

The Senators who received these telegrams did not fancy the prominence it gave them, and therefore it wasn't easy for the enquirers to find any Senator who would admit having received one, for it put him in the position of having been picked out as one who could be influenced to comply with the wishes of the Oil Trust, a position that none of them cared to occupy in public, whether that is really his status or not.

That's why this telegram method of obstructing or defeating legislation was so generally resented as impertinent and offensive. But doubtless the Rockefeller combine knew what they were doing when they were sending these telegrams, although they didn't anticipate their becoming public so soon and causing such a racket. They calculated all right, but there was a leak or a hitch somewhere and the thing went wrong, and turned out to be a boomerang.

APING ROYALTY.

In discussing the Sundry Civil Appropriations bill in the House of Representatives, Tuesday, when it came to the increased appropriations for the White House, there were some pertinent remarks made about the growing extravagance. Mr. Cochran, of Missouri, hit the nail on the head when he deprecated the tendency to ape royalty in extravagant display and pomp, one of the results of which is that it is becoming difficult to find capable persons, not possessed of large wealth, who are willing to accept, or long hold, high positions in Washington, on account of the expense of maintaining themselves in style, even house rent sometimes amounting to more than the salaries of the offices they hold.

Fashion rules and style takes the lead. The official who cannot or will not entertain lavishly and put on style comes to be looked upon as a cipher or nobody, socially speaking. The White House, which apes royalty, sets the pace and others who want to keep "in the swim," ape it.

The Senate has become "a millionaires' club" while there are Representatives who spend more in one month than their annual salary amounts to. This might have been the case to some extent before the war between the States, but it began to crop out conspicuously soon after it and has been going right along ever since.

When Grant became President $25,000 a year was considered a sufficiently large salary for the office, but it was doubled on the pretence that the President couldn't maintain himself in tony style on less than $50,000. Now it is asserted that $50,000 isn't enough and that to live in proper style the President should have $100,000. And so with other officers—Cabinet officers, judges and others, none of whom, according to the believers in style, get enough. They never will get enough while in the effort to put on style and keep up outward show they spend more than their salaries amount to. This might do in monarchies, where the State is run by the few, but it is all out of place in a Republic, where the people are supposed to rule and which is presumably democratic.

We do not believe in parsimony nor do we believe in empty, senseless pomp that simply apes the gilded pomp of royalty, which depends much upon that to maintain its prestige.

An infant industry has been discovered in Milwaukee which seems to be flourishing without tariff protection. The superintendent of the poor has found ten establishments where infants are bought and sold. People who want to get rid of infants send them there, with $10 or $20, and "no questions are asked." The people who run these establishments will sell them for a few dollars to persons who want any, and if they can't find sale for them they give them away. It has not yet been discovered that they get away with them any other way.

Investigations made in Dresden show that out of seventy-five people, men and women, over seventy years of age, seventy were of the jolly order and only five seriously inclined. The inference is that if you would live long, be jolly. But it is good to be jolly whether you live long or not. Jollity brushes the cobwebs away and lets in lots of sunshine, and that's good for people as well as plants.

Mr. Carnegie says once when he was a young man he tackled Homer, but got disgusted with Achilles and threw the book away. Carnegie never had much use for dead men anyway.

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IRREPRESSIBLE MORGAN.

It is quite natural that after all his faithful, persistent and hard work for the Nicaragua canal Senator Morgan should have been sorely disappointed when preference was given to the Panama route. He was reported, however, to be resigned to what he couldn't help, and to acquiesce in the choice of others when he could not get his own choice, as a canal was the first consideration, the route being subordinate.

But he seems to have changed his mind, and is now appearing in the role of an obstructionist, his apparent purpose being to talk the Panama scheme to death, as the option with the canal company expires by limitation on the 4th of March next. If necessary he could and would talk on it every day, Sundays included, between now and the 4th of March, or the 4th of July, for he is a double back-action talking machine that never runs down, while he is strong enough to stand on his legs, and he generally is.

If there is any old document bearing upon Colombia and adjacent countries, and their domestic fracases that hasn't been brought to light, it is safe to say that he will discover it if it is discoverable, and make the most of it when he gets it in his hands. He seems to have made a good many discoveries of this kind since the Panama route was adopted, or perhaps he made them before and held them in reserve for supplemental proceedings, and is now exploiting them.

To the reader of his contentions they appear to contain a good deal that is trivial and that would to some extent apply as pertinently to a treaty with any of those other incubators of revolutions as it does to Colombia, for there is scarcely one of them that could go back any length of time and show an unquestionably regular and legitimate government. Of one thing, however everybody may be assured and that is that if this Government digs a canal across the isthmus by the Panama or any other route, it will control it, and without any war, which Senator Morgan seems to apprehend, may be one of the results of ratifying the treaty with Colombia.

There has been so much dallying with this thing, it has so often been "so near and yet so far" that the country is getting tired of it, and Senator Morgan by his endless contention is running the risk of making it tired of him.

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One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Goldsboro *Argus*: Mr. John R. Hood, of Grantham township, an uncle of Major George E Hood, of this city, died Wednesday, in his 67th year.

— Scotland Neck *Commonwealth*: Mr. John G. Powell, near Tillery, raised 790 bushels of Spanish peanuts on ten acres of land, and on ten other acres he raised eleven bales of cotton averaging 450 pounds.

—Wadesboro *Messenger Intelligencer*: Mr. W. P. Guiledge, of Guiledge township, reports that he made 46 bushels of peas last year from one planted. This tremendous crop was made after a calf and a drove of chickens had run on the peas from the time they began maturing until they were gathered.

— Carthage *Blade*: Uncle Joe Shields, who is now 83 years old, is hale and hearty and looks good for a number of years yet. In conversation with him the other day he told us that he had never taken a chew of tobacco, cursed an oath, got drunk, swapped horses nor bought a thing on credit during his life, but when you mention women, he says he has loved them all.

— Newbern *Journal*: Mr. S. S. Waters, of Black Swamp, Jones county, was in the city yesterday, and was heard to remark that the tobacco farmers in his neighborhood were making great preparations for this year's crop. Mr. Waters says that he has planted beds for ten acres setting, and made the necessary increase of barns for curing purposes. Reports from other sections of Jones county indicate a material increase in the acreage of tobacco this year and announce an unusual activity among the farmers in preparing for the planting of the crop.

—Greensboro *Telegram*: Wednesday night about eleven o'clock Mr. Bernard Wells, stenographer of Superintendent E. H. Coapman, for the Southern Railway, was held up and robbed of $28. Mr. Wells was on his way home and when just in front of St. Barnabas Episcopal church some one ordered him to halt. He paid no attention to the command and kept on walking. A negro then sprang at him catching hold of his coat and tearing off several buttons. Immediately another negro drew a pistol and called out "throw up your hands." Both of the negroes then went through Mr. Wells' pockets, securing a po ket book containing $28. The negroes seemed satisfied as soon as they had secured the pocket book and left on the run. Mr. Wells had on a handsome gold watch and also had two dollars and fifty cents in change that the negroes did not get.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: A negro man named William Edward Patterson committed suicide Tuesday morning on the corner of Saunders and North streets, in front of Winston & Wiggins' store, and cams very near ending the life of his sweetheart, Adeline Harris, by putting two bullets into her body. —— Solon Jackson, the negro who is supposed to have criminally assaulted Miss Minnie Carlyle, an 18-year-old girl, near Tryon Sunday, was captured at Forest City Thursday afternoon by Constable J. C. Harrill and Chief Jones, of that place, and is being held for the Polk county authorities. He admits he has been at his father's in Polk, leaving there Monday afternoon, but he says he knows nothing about the assault. A 'phone message from Polk says Miss Carlyle had started to the home of Lewis Scoggins, and coming up with the negro was assaulted and horribly beaten, and is still is a critical condition. The negro is just out of the Henderson chain gang.

— Weldon *News*: General M. W. Ransom last Monday sold 1,200 bales of cotton of his 1902 crop and realized therefor the sum of over $45,000. He received for the cotton nine cents all around net. —— A white man named Cook, while under the influence of whiskey, broke into the house of Mrs. J. J. Martin in Northampton county, Saturday night, thinking he was entering his own house. Mrs. Martin and daughters, the only inmates of the house at the time, were badly frightened and jumped out of the back window, in their night robes, bare footed and ran half a mile to Mr. Whit Stevenson's, Mrs. Martin's son-in-law. They reported that a burglar had broken in on them. Stevenson took down his gun and going back to the Martin house discovered the figure of a man sitting in a chair. He fired in the window and the man fell out on the floor. Stevenson thinking he had killed a burglar went to a near by farm house in which two of Mrs. Martin's sons lived and reported the matter to them. The two Martins then returned with him to the house and imagine their surprise when they found that the supposed burglar was a neighbor and that he had pulled off coat and shoes and was in the bed in a drunken stupor. They took him up and carried him to Jackson, where Dr. Lewis picked forty-seven shot from his shoulder, neck and the side of his face. Cook was then placed in jail. He says he thought he was at home, and that the home people had locked him out. He did not even know that he had been shot, and, strange to say, his wounds are not serious.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

R. B. JOHN, P. E., Wilmington, N. C.

Oaslow, Queen's Creek, Feb. 14. 15.
Jacksonville and Richlands, Half Moon, Feb. 21. 22.

District conference will meet at Jacksonville Tuesday Mar. 17th at 5 o'clock P. M. and continue through the 18th and 19th 1903.

— Johnson—He said I was an addle pated jackass. What do you advise me to do about it? Jackson—See a good veterinary.—*Judge.*

Escaped an Awful Fate.

Mr. H. Haggins, of Melbourne, Fla., writes, "My doctor told me I had Consumption and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery, and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life." This great cure is guaranteed for all Throat and Lung diseases by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free. †

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TWO CURES.

FLORENCE, S. C., Aug. 18, 1902.

Gentlemen:—I began to suffer from rheumatism about three years ago, and had it very bad in my limbs. At times I could hardly walk. Was treated by a physician without benefit. More than a year ago, Mr. George Wilson, an engineer on the Coast Line, living in Florence, told me that "RHEUMACIDE" cured him. I got a bottle and it benefitted me. I took five bottles and am now as well as I ever was in my life. I regard "RHEUMACIDE" as a great medicine. I know of others it has cured.

Truly,
S. T. BURCH.

DARLINGTON, S. C., Aug. 19th, 1902.

Gentlemen:—About two years ago I had a very severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism. I suffered great pain and was confined to my bed for five weeks. During the time I was treated by two Physicians without permanent relief. Capt. Harker, a conductor on the Atlantic Coast Line heard of my condition and sent me two bottles of "RHEUMACIDE." I began to take it and in a week I got up and walked on crutches. After taking three bottles of the remedy I got entirely well and went back to my business.

I personally know of a number of other bad cases that were cured by the use of your medicine, in this town and vicinity. It is all that you claim for it.

Truly, J. L. SISKRON.

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CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Six murders in one town in Pennsylvania within ten days doesn't afford Northern papers a very good text for preaching sermons against Southern lawnessness.—*Richmond News-Leader, Dem.*

—— Who will make the next discovery of people that ought to be pensioned, and are not? Senator Hanna has found the ex slaves would accept public bounty, what, and who next? Wouldn't it simplify the situation if we just pensioned everybody who would be willing to certify that he was a proper object of benevolence?—*Chattanooga Times, Ind.*

—— According to the report of the Attorney General there were 223 homicide cases in the State during the year 1902. This is a worse record, we believe, than the people of South Carolina were prepared to face. It means an average of four homicides a week throughout the year, or an average of five for every county in the State. And bad as the record is we are doing nothing to make it better.—*Charleston News and Courier, Dem.*

—— General Chaffee is a soldier who does things and rises slowly; General Wood is a man who does things and has friends who lift him high in big leaps. The appreciation of the people for such men as Chaffee means very little—the help of friends in a fencing match can bring Wood many hits. Perhaps Wood may prove as able as Chaffee—when he has served as long. Perhaps Chaffee may rise as high as Wood—after death. Meantime favoritism fastens its clutches on army and navy till another real war shakes it loose and forces capacity to the front.—*Jacksonville Times-Union, Dem.*

TWINKLINGS.

— Hoax—I just heard some news that seems too good to be true. Joax—That's too bad.—*Phil. Record.*

— He—My brother carries the brains of the family. She—Doesn't make him round shouldered, does it?—*Yonkers Statesman.*

— "So their marriage was a failure." "Not at all. Marriage is all right. It was the man and the woman who were failures."—*Phil. Pres*

— "I see that one Pennsylvania convict fatally assaulted another." "They must have some bad men in that penitentiary."—*Cleveland Plain Dealer.*

— Gwendolyne—Well, if a woman's no means yes, what does her yes mean? Will Lander—It means that she knows that the man knows what her no means.—*Puck*

— "Truth lies at the bottom of a well," said the man who quotes. "Not at the bottom of an oil well, I'll bet," snarled the man who had invested.—*Baltimore Herald.*

— In a well known thoroughfare in London, outside a noted restaurant there might be seen the following notice: "This is the best restaurant in London. Our fish cannot be approached."—*Puck.*

—"My father died of water on the brain," remarked the man from Ohio. "Let it be a warning to you," replied the Kentucky colonel, "and stop drinking the snuff before it is too late."—*Chicago News.*

— "Charley, dear," said young Mrs. Torkins, "you know you said we ought to put something by for a rainy day." "Yes." "Well, don't you think this barrowin rain coat is perfectly lovely?"—*Washington Star.*

— Percy—I sent a girl a book hollowed out and filled with chocolate creams. Guy—Did she like it?—Percy—She writes me that she wants at once a complete set of the American Encyclopaedia.—*Detroit Free Press.*

— Elder (to visiting clergyman at close of service)—Won't you go down and be introduced to the congregation? Visiting Clergyman—It's hardly necessary; I feel as if I had a nodding acquaintance with them already.—*Boston Courier.*

The Inventor of the Cork.

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

[Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.]

STAR OFFICE, February 13.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 55c per gallon.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.80 per barrel for strained and $1.85 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.65 per barrel of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.40 per barrel for hard, $4.00 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin firm at $1.12½@1.17½; tar firm at $1 20; crude turpentine firm at $1.35@2.50.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	15
Rosin	348
Tar	404
Crude turpentine	14

Receipts same day last year—8 casks spirits turpentine, 94 barrels rosin, 227 barrels tar, 54 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 9¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	6¾	cts. ₱ lb
Good ordinary	8¼	" "
Low middling	9	" "
Middling	9¼	" "
Good middling	10¾	" "

Same day last year, market firm at 8½c for middling.

Receipts—667 bales; same day last year, 2,233.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 65c; extra prime, 70c; fancy, 75c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 55c; extra prime, 60c; fancy, 65c. Spanish (new), 65@70c.

CORN—Firm; 65@67½c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 15@16c per pound; shoulders, 10@12½c; sides, 12½c.

EGGS—Dull at 15c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 25@30c; springs, 15@20c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 12@13½c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Dull at 50c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2@4c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—Money on call steady at 2¼@3 per cent., closing offered at 2¼ per cent.; time money steady: 60 days, 4 per cent; 90 days, 4 per cent.; six months 4¼@4½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4¾@5 per cent. Sterling exchange strong, with actual business in bankers' bills done at 487.55@487.60 for demand and at 484.50 for sixty days. Posted rates were 485 and 488. Commercial bills 483¾@484¼. Bar silver 48. Mexican dollars 37½. Government bonds weak. State bonds steady. Railroad bonds irregular. U. S. refunding 2's, registered, 108; U. S. refunding 3's, coupon, 108; U. S. 3's, registered, 107; do. coupon, 107. U. S. 4's, new registered, 134½; do, coupon, 135¾; U. S. 4's, old, registered, 109¼; do. coupon, 109¼; U. S. 5's, registered, 103¼; do. coupon, 103¼; Southern Railway, 5's, 117¾. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 100¼. Chesapeake & Ohio 52½; Manhattan L 144¼; New York Central 149¾; Reading 63¾; do. 1st preferred 88; do. 2nd preferred 75½; St. Paul 178½; do. pref'd, 191; Southern Railway 35¾; do. pref'd 95; Amalgamated Copper 69½; People's Gas 106¼; Sugar 130¾; Tennessee Coal and Iron 63¼; U. S. Leather 14¼; do. pref'd, 94; Western Union 90; U. S. Steel 38¾; do. pref'd 88¼; Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co., 64; do. preferred, 124½. Standard Oil, 730@740.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 13—Seaboard Air Line, common, 25¾; do. preferred, 42½; bonds, fours, 83¾. Atlantic Coast Line, common, 135¼; do. preferred, unchanged.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine quiet.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 13. Spirits turpentine firm at 64½c; sales —casks. Rosin firm; sales — casks: A, B, C, D, E and F, $1 85; G, $1 95; H, $2 30; I, $2 75; K, $3 15; M, $3 35; N, $3 55; W G, $3 80; W W $4 20.

SAVANNAH, Feb. 13—Spirits turpentine was firm at 65c; receipts 140 casks; sales 111 casks; exports 66 casks. Rosin firm; receipts 3,894 barrels; sales 667 barrels; exports 855 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, D, E, $1 90; F, $1 90; G, $2 00; H, $2 35; I, $2 80; K $3 20; M, $3 40; N, $3 60; W G, $3 85; W W, $4 25.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—The cotton market opened firm at an advance of seven and sixteen points, under active covering by shorts as a result of the strong Liverpool cables. These were due on our close of Wednesday to come about one and a half to two points lower, whereas before our opening they reported an advance of three to ten points on the active options. Immediately after the call there was a monetary halt in the demand, which eased prices off slightly, but this was almost instantly followed by renewed purchases, notwithstanding the heavy movement in sight and the less favorable advices from New England. The advance at Liverpool was said to be due to heavy buying orders from this side, presumably originating with the interests who have recently been converging their operations in May, and therefore at this morning's advance there was considerable selling on the theory that the present high level had been obtained very largely as a result of manipulation. The spot markets, however, were all firmly maintained and while at the high points the market met with considerable pressure from this direction, the covering was too insistent to be ignored. Commission houses also had some buying orders for the long account, probably as a result of the rather smaller receipts estimated for the leading points to morrow as compared with last year. The market was finally steady at a net advance of eight to 16 points for the day. The sales of futures were estimated at 600,000 bales.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—Cotton quiet at 9 60; net receipts 518 bales; gross receipts 531 bales; stock 141,336 bales. Spot cotton closed quiet and 10 points higher; middling uplands 9.60c; middling gulf 9 85c; sales 710 bales.

Futures market opened firm and closed steady. The closing prices were: February 9.41, March 9.43, April 9 48, May 9.51, June 9.38, July 9.38 August 9 05, September 8.48, October 8 28.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 37,717 bales; exports to Great Britain 11,486 bales; exports to France 18,510 bales; exports to the Continent 15,232 bales; stock 940,617 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 197,316 bales; exports to Great Britain 48,039 bales; exports to France 51 476 bales; exports to the Continent 744,453 bales.

Total since September 1, at all seaports—Net receipts 6 248,555 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,947,764 bales; exports to France 611,195 bales; exports to the Continent 3,101,143 bales.

Feb. 13.—Galveston, firm at 9¾c, net receipts 7 825 bales; Norfolk, firm at 9¼c, net receipts 2 080 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 9¼c, net receipts 1,173 bales; Boston, quiet at 9.50, net receipts 394 bales; Wilmington, firm at 9¼c, net receipts 667 bales; Philadelphia, steady at 9 85, net receipts 80 bales; Savannah, firm at 9¼c, net receipts 2,234 bales; New Orleans, firm at 9¾c, net receipts 6 730 bales; Mobile, firm at 9¼c, net receipts 155 bales; Memphis, firm at 9¼c, net receipts 2,717 bales; Augusta, firm at 9 9-16c, net receipts 829 bales; Charleston, firm at 9¼c, net receipts 754 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13—Flour was dull but held steady. Rye flour quiet. Wheat—Spot easier; No. 2 red 82¼c. Options developed fair activity and considerable weakness to-day under a wave of liquidation arising from large Northwest receipts, foreign selling, easier cables, big Argentine shipments and a light export demand. Closed at ½@¾c net lower: March closed 83c; May closed 81¼c; July closed 78¼c; September 76¾c. Corn—Spot easy; No. 2 61c. Options market at first was stronger on poor grading, but the corn bought on this swell later contributed to the heaviness that in the afternoon followed the wheat break and the close was at ½@¾c net decline: February closed —c; March closed 57c May closed 51 11-16c, July closed 49¾c. Oats—Spot easy; No. 2, 43¼c. Options were stronger during the forenoon, but later collapsed with other markets; May closed 42¾c. Lard steady; refined steady. Tallow easy; city ($3 per package) 6¼c; country 6¼@6¾c. Rice firm. Butter was firm; extra creamery 26c; State dairy 15@24c Cheese firm; State full cream, small colored, fancy fall made 14¼c; small white, fall made, 14¼c. Peanuts steady; fancy hand picked 4½@4¾c; other domestic 3@4¼c. Cabbages easy; domestic, per barrel red $1 00@1 25; white 60@80c. Freights to Liverpool—by steam 13. Potatoes steady; Long Island $2 00@2 25; South Jersey sweets $2 50@3 75; Jerseys $1 75@2 00; New York and Western per 180 lbs, $1 50@2 00. Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining 3¼c, centrifugal, 96 test, 3¾c, molasses sugar 3c; refined steady. Coffee—Spot Rio steady; No 7 invoice 5¾c; mild quiet; Cordova 7@11¾c. Molasses firm. Eggs unsettled; Pennsylvania average best 26c. Southern by sample 14¾c. Cotton seed oil—Further advances resulted from the supplies here and the market was firm with a fair trade. Closing quotations were: Prime crude here nominal; prime crude f. o. b. mills 34@35c; prime summer yellow 41@42c; off summer yellow 49c; prime white 45c; prime winter yellow 45c; prime meal $27 50@28 00, nominal.

CHICAGO Feb. 13—There was a general liquidation in grains due to bearish news, and lower prices were recorded, May wheat closing 1¢@1c May corn was off ½; while oats were down ½. Provisions were strong, the May products closing from 2½ to 12½c higher.

CHICAGO, Feb. 13—Cash prices: Flour was steady. Wheat—No 2 spring 77¾; No. 3 spring 70@74c; No. 2 red 74¼@74¾c. Corn—No. 2 43¼c; No. 2 yellow 43¾c Oats—No. 2 34¼c; No. 2 white 38c; No. 3 white 36@36¾c. Mess pork, per barrel, quoted $17 00@17 12½. Lard, per 100 lbs, $9 52½@9 55. Short rib sides, loose, $9 10@9 30. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $8 12½@8 25. Short clear sides, boxed, $9 50@9 62½. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 30.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No 2 February 74¾, 74¾, 74¼, 74¼c; May 77¾@78, 78¾, 77¼, 77¾c; July 74¼@74¾, 74¾, 73¾@73¾, 73¾@74c. Corn—No. 2 February —, —, —, 45¼c; May 45¼@45¾, 45¾, 45¼, 45¼c; July 43¾@43¾, 43¾, 43¾, 43¾c. Oats—No. 2, February 34¼c; May 37¾, 37¾, 36¾, 36¾@36¾c; July 33¾@, 33¾, 33¼, 33¾@33¼c. Mess pork per bbl—May $16 92½, 17 05, 16 90, 17 00; July $16 30, 16 45, 16 30, 16 37½. Lard, per 100 lbs.—February $9 62½, 9 55, 9 52½, 9 55. May $9 47½, 9 50, 9 48, 9 47½; July $9 25, 9 27½, 9 25, 9 25. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $9 22½, 9 32½, 9 22½, 9 32½; July $9 07½, 9 15, 9 07½, 9 12¾; September $9 05, 9 10, 9 05, 9 10.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 13.—Cotton: Spot in fair demand, prices eight points higher; American middling fair 5.66d; good middling 5.36d; middling 5.08d; low middling 4.96d; good ordinary 4.84d; ordinary 4.72d. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 1,000 bales were for speculation and export and included 8,300 bales American. Receipts 9,000 bales, including 2,600 bales American.

Futures opened firm and closed feverish; American middling (g o c) February 5.02d; February and March 5.01@5.02d; March and April 5.01@5.02d; April and May 5.02@5.03d; May and June 5.03@5.04d; June and July 5.04d; July and August 5.03@5.04d; August and September 4.93@4.94d; September and October 4.60@4.61d; October and November 4.48d.

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List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., February 14.

STEAMSHIPS.

Muriel, (Br) 1,365 tons, Freeman, Alexander Sprunt & Son.
Savan, (Br) 1,668 tons, Hunter, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

SCHOONERS.

Emily F Northam, 315 tons, Adams, to master.
Bayard Hopkins, 212 tons, Eskridge, to master.
Chas H Wolston, 287 tons, Hinckley, George Harriss, Son & Co.
Helen G Mosely, 302 tons, Gray, Cape Fear Lumber Co.
Albert T Stearnes, 488 tons, Bunker, to master.
Lillian Woodruff, 288 tons, Kneeland, George Harriss, Son & Co.

BARQUES.

Oscar, (Nor) 720 tons, Schrader, Heide & Co.
Fre dir, (Nor) 649 tons, Christophersen, Heide & Co.

BY RIVER AND RAIL

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday

C C Railroad—56 bales of cotton, 14 barrels tar, 5 barrels crude turpentine.

W & W. Railroad—276 bales cotton, 4 barrels crude turpentine.

W. C. & A. Railroad 271 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 14 barrels rosin, 176 barrels tar.

A. & Y. Railroad 44 bales cotton, 74 barrels tar, 1 barrel crude turpentine.

W. & N. Railroad—14 bales cotton, 9 barrels rosin, 4 barrels crude turpentine.

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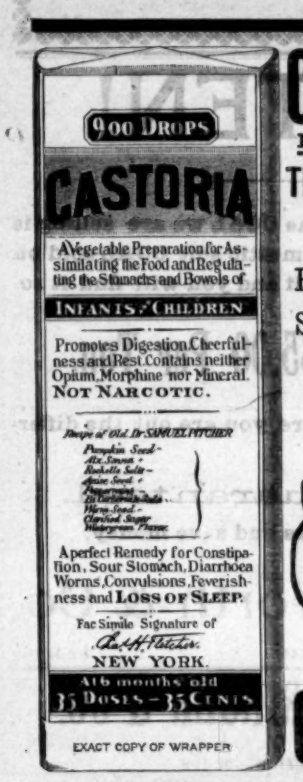
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PRIVATE HARRIGAN'S PET

By Sergeant Dale

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The men of Company B, Seventh regiment, had an antelope, a fox, two jack rabbits and a coyote as company pets, but when Private Harrigan returned from furlough and brought with him a crowing, screeching, ugly Missouri crow there was a kick. It was not only that the crow had various ways of rendering himself a nuisance, but that Private Harrigan was in bad standing with his company. He was without pride or ambition as a soldier. He was shiftless, slovenly and always on the blacklist. He got drunk whenever opportunity offered, and he made opportunities to get into the guardhouse. After two years of service all that could be said of him was that he was good natured and big hearted. If he had been vicious, a court martial would have settled his case, but he wasn't. He had been a ne'er do well before enlisting, and he could not change his spots. He had been reprimanded and punished fifty different times, but never hauled up for a serious offense.

The crow had been taught a few tricks, and for a week or so Company B was interested. Then the bird's infernal voice got on to their nerves, and the men began to growl. The first sergeant informed Harrigan that the crow would have to go. He was homely; he was unclean; he had no sense; he belonged to the buzzard family; he was a disgrace to the post. His owner was given twenty-four hours in which either to wring his neck or let him loose.

To the sergeant's surprise, Private Harrigan talked back. When the argument grew hot, he lost his temper for the first time in a year and struck his superior officer on the jaw. That meant business. He was laid by the heels in the guardhouse and in due time notified that a court martial would sit on his case. His crow, driven out of the post in disgrace, flew around with lonesome calls, and there was no one to sympathize with bird or master. Had there been, and had they heeded his appeals to let the bird share his imprisonment, Private Harrigan would have borne his fate with philosophy. As it was, he worried and fretted and at last made up his mind to a very serious thing. If the crow could not come to him, he would go to the crow.

ALL LOOKED UP TO SEE PRIVATE HARRIGAN'S CROW CIRCLING AROUND.

One night when the vigilance of the sentinels was lax he "flanked" his way out of the guardhouse and escaped the guard sent after him. His crow was not to be seen or heard of next morning, and after the fugitive had been tracked up Plum valley for twenty miles the trail was lost. Private Harrigan was posted as a deserter and the usual reward offered, and Company B congratulated itself on being rid of a no account.

There had been peace with the Indians for a year, but two weeks after Harrigan's desertion disquieting reports began to come in. Bands of bucks were breaking away from the reservations every day to join the renegades in the mountains, and as they cut across the country they murdered lone settlers and played havoc with ranchhouses. The troops at the fort were under arms and ready to ride at a moment's notice, but the reports were so conflicting that the officers were perplexed. The hostiles seemed to be moving on every side.

There were only B and C companies, with eighty men to a company, to hold the fort, guard the stage routes and protect the settlers for twenty miles around, and the best that the colonel could do was little enough. It was when the hostiles had worked clear around to the west and were menacing fifty pioneer families scattered up and down Plum valley that he determined almost to strip the fort of its garrison and make a swift dash. This determination was hastened by a written message brought in by a half breed from one of the pioneers, who pointed out the way to strike the hostiles a deathblow while they were unprepared.

One hundred and sixty men of the garrison were ready to ride out of the gates at sunrise one morning when a loud cawing was heard overhead, and all looked up to see Private Harrigan's crow circling around. They saw, too, that the bird had a tag tied to one of its legs, and they called to one another to make no hostile demonstration.

As if holding itself to blame for its master's desertion and fearing punishment, the bird refused to permit itself to be caught for some time, but was at last seized by an agile soldier and the tag placed in the hands of the colonel. It proved to be a penciled note in the handwriting of the deserter. Harrigan's chirography was in an exclusive pattern, and he spelled his words to save as much time as possible, but his message was deciphered at last, and the result was a sudden change of orders. The men were dismounted and stationed about the fort to repel an attack, and every idler was pressed into service. Reduced to fair English, Harrigan had written:

I am with the people in Plum valley. We are intrenched and giving the reds blue blazes every time they show up. We can hold 'em off without help. If you get word to the contrary, don't you believe it. Red Bird and 500 bucks are in ambush in the big thicket at the crossing of Wolf creek, and if you leave the fort they will attack and murder everybody. I send this letter by my crow. Feed him and let him come back.

The message brought by the half breed had been a ruse to leave the fort undefended.

To test the matter the colonel sent out 150 troopers and had them make a half circle and return to the fort under cover. An hour later Red Bird moved up with his warriors and attacked, never doubting that he would carry the fort with a rush. But when the fight ended in his wild flight he left over eighty dead behind him. The check paralyzed him until troops could be pushed into the field to finish him.

Over in Plum valley, as it came to be known later on, the deserter, hiding out in the thickets, had been the first to discover the advent of the hostiles. He had gobbled a horse and ridden from point to point to collect the settlers and had then taken command and made a defense to be recorded in history.

The scare was over when Deserter Harrigan reappeared. He came walking into the post one day with his crow seated on his shoulder, and, marching straight up to the colonel's office, he saluted the gray haired officer:

"Colonel Taylor, it's Private Harrigan come back to be tried for desertion."

"Go to your quarters," ordered the colonel as he looked up at him.

"But I deserted, colonel."

"Nonsense! You had twenty days' furlough."

"And the swipe I gave the sergeant on the jaw?"

"Never heard of it."

"And the crow, sir?"

"He has the liberty of the post and shall have his rations at my own quarters. 'Bout face! March!"

Why a Cold Affects the Hearing.

The drum or tympanum of the ear is a small air chamber, with hard, bony surroundings, ventilated by an air passage about one and a half inches long, called the eustachian tube, which passes forward and inward from the anterior part of the throat behind the nostrils. The atmospheric pressure required on the inner side of the drum to counterbalance that of the outer side is provided for by the communication of the eustachian tube with the throat in the acts of breathing and swallowing. Lining the hollow of the drum and forming the innermost layer of the drumhead is a delicate mucous membrane, which also lines the interior of the eustachian tube. If we have a cold in the head, the vessels supplying the mucous membrane from the nose to the mouth expand, the blood within them flows slowly or stagnates and that in the mucous membrane becomes congested.

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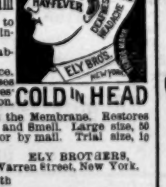

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RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts	$ 933,118 19	Capital	$ 300,000 00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	257,000 00	Surplus and Net Profits	97,151 77
Bank Building	30,000 00	Circulation	136,950 00
Cash on hand and in banks	623,587 70	Deposits	1,299,601 05
	$1,843,707 82		$1,843,702 82

Comparative statement of deposits.

February 6th, 1900, $972,527 14.
February 6th, 1901, $409,290 63.
February 6th, 1902, $823,222 71.

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WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	8 50 a m	9 00 p m
Ar Monroe	10 22 a m	10 48 p m
Ar Charlotte	11 40 a m	11 59 p m
Ar Chester	12 01 p m	11 30 p m
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Ar Athens	5 19 p m	4 15 a m
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Ar Columbia	7 24 a m	11 58 a m	1 10 a m
Ar Savannah	9 45 a m	3 15 p m	4 05 a m
Ar Jacksonville	1 30 p m	7 40 p m	9 15 a m
Ar Tampa	1 00 p m	6 45 a m	6 00 p m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet		10.25 p m	6 03 a m
Ar Raleigh		1.15 a m	11.19 a m
Ar Norfina		3.18 a m	1.35 p m
Ar Petersburg		5.32 a m	4.09 p m
Ar Richmond		6.10 a m	4.50 p m
Ar Washington		9.45 a m	8.35 p m
Ar Baltimore		10.52 a m	11.25 p m
Ar New York		3.15 p m	6.30 a m
	7.10 a m		5.35 p m

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Leave	Stations	Arrive
A M		A M
6 00	Ocean View	7 00
6 15	Bradley's Creek	6 45
6 30	Wrightsville	6 30
6 45	Myrtle Grove	6 15
7 00	Bradley's Creek	6 00
7 15	Golf Club	5 45
7 30	Pepper	5 30
7 45	Front and Princess	5 15
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NORTHBOUND.

	No. 48	No. 140
Lv Wilmington	9 30 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	12.21 p m	9 38 p m
Ar Wilson	1.18 p m	10.42 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1.56 p m	11.35 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	
Ar Weldon	4 53 p m	1 45 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 03 p m	3.35 a m
Ar Richmond	7.45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11.40 p m	7.54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1.32 a m	9 10 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4.06 a m	11 35 a m
Ar New York	7.15 a m	2.00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 141	No. 49
Lv New York	8.55 a m	9.35 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11.30 a m	12.10 p m
Ar Baltimore	1.44 p m	2.27 a m
Ar Washington	2.50 p m	3.45 a m
Ar Norfolk		7.00 a m
Ar Richmond	6.56 p m	6.30 a m
Ar Petersburg	7.22 p m	9 13 a m
Ar Weldon	9.04 p m	11.22 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 07 p m	12.50 p m
Ar Wilson	10.48 p m	1.46 p m
Ar Goldsboro	7.16 a m	3.55 p m
Ar Wilmington	10.10 a m	5.45 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	6.00 a m	2 45 p m	7.00 p m
Ar Florence	9.25 a m	7.30 p m	3.55 a m
Ar Charleston	1.10 p m	11 15 p m	5.45 a m
Ar Savannah	6.35 p m	3.00 a m	7.55 a m
Ar Jacksonville		5.00 a m	12.45 p m
Ar Tampa		7.00 p m	10.00 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Tampa		8.05 p m	9.30 a m
Ar Jacksonville		7.00 a m	7.00 p m
Ar Savannah		11 10 p m	1.15 a m
Ar Charleston		5.15 p m	6.25 a m
Ar Florence		8.00 p m	9.45 a m
Ar Wilmington		11.45 p m	1.40 p m

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Lv Wilmington	3.10 p m	Ar. 8.00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12.20 p m	Ar. 5.00 p m
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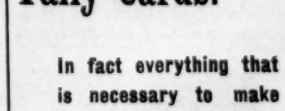

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. No. 4 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave	STATIONS	GOING WEST. No. 3 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	4 40	Goldsboro	11 55	.....
.....	4 53	Kinston	10 19	.....
5 42	5 50	Newbern	8 37	9 00
7 08	7 07	Morehead City	7 08	7 37
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.55 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 9.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 4.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 5.00 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & W. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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SATURDAY MORNING. FEB. 14.

SENATE DISCUSSED THE STATEHOOD BILL.

Depew Attacked the Mormon Church Because He Believed Its Members Still Cling to Practice of Polygamy.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—An immense crowd was attracted to the Senate to-day to hear the invocation of General William Booth, founder and commander-in-chief of the Salvation Army. Among the occupants of the galleries were Booth Tucker, the general's chief assistant and son-in-law, and a large number of Salvationists.

When the Statehood bill came up, Mr. Depew resumed his remarks and attacked the Mormon Church because he said he believed its members still cling to the practice of polygamy. Referring to the anti-polygamy provision in the Statehood bill, Mr. Depew said that it would seem that "the fine Italian hand of the Mormon apostle had been at work in the preparation of the measure, and that the concentrated influence of the Mormon hierarchy could be seen in the determined effort to prevent any amendment which would completely exclude polygamy."

It is not disputed, he said, that the vote of the Mormon Church is absolutely controlled by the central hierachy of that organization. He declared that the migration of Mormons to different States and territories was not for the purpose of securing homes and farms, but through compact, to control legislation.

Any legislation, Mr. Rawlins declared, in any State, directed at Mormonism, is futile unless there is a public sentiment which will sustain the same. The question was not as to the inadequacy of the provision against polygamy, but as to the exercise of political power. Persecution is the seed of the Mormon Church, he declared and it did not do any good to arraign the entire people and brand every Mormon as a slave—a most unjust accusation. "To do that," he said, "you solidify those who would aid you in bringing about the very condition you seek here."

The best possible school, he said, for the correction of these evils, is to emancipate the Mormons and leave them free to work out their own destinies.

Mr. Dubois said he did not think the references of the opponents of Statehood to polygamy were serious. He declared that if the Statehood bill is allowed to be put on the Postoffice Appropriation bill, he would consent to and advocate the placing of the Idaho constitution relating to elections as an amendment and require Arizona and New Mexico to subscribe to it before being admitted. Under the test oath of that constitution, he said, Idaho disfranchised every member of the Mormon Church, and for years they were without a vote.

After an executive session, the Senate adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow to allow senators to attend the noon wedding of Senator Cockrell's daughter.

ALLEGED CRUELTY TO CONVICTS.

Investigating Committee Held Short Session at Raleigh Yesterday.

[Special Star Telegram.]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 13.—The special committee to investigate the charges of cruelty to convicts in moving a squad of 180 from Spruce Pine to Marion, thence to Raleigh, held a session at the prison this afternoon and examined witnesses, mostly guards and other prison employes, who participated in moving the prisoners. The trend of the evidence was a total contradiction of the evidence taken Tuesday at Marion, all testifying that there was no cruelty; that the condition of the roads was not severe and that the men stood the march well. Dr. Rogers, physician to the penitentiary, testified that he examined the convicts on their arrival here and found them in good condition, except for a reasonable degree of fatigue after the march and railroad trip. There had been no sickness, he said, from that cause.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT.

For the Week Ending Friday, February 13th, 1903.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending February 13th, 1903:

	1903.	1902.
Net receipts at all U. S. ports during the week ...	197,216	157,849
Total receipts to this date	6,248,555	6,138,125
Exports for week..	173,968	184,529
Total exports to date	4,660,102	4,840,311
Stock in all U. S. ports.	940,617	789,718
Stock at all interior towns.....	392,330	568,335
Stock in Liverpool,	653,000	1,054,000
American afloat for Great Britain ...	165,000	211,000

TOTAL NET RECEIPTS OF COTTON.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1st, 1902: Galveston, 1,775,861 bales; New Orleans, 1,773,507; Mobile, 182,648; Savannah, 1,097,809; Charleston, 201,189; Wilmington, 301,374; Norfolk, 408,374; Baltimore, 24,897; New York, 41,594; Boston, 52,322; Newport News, 12,007; Philadelphia, 17,275; Brunswick, 84,610; Fernandina, 450; Pensacola, 116,319; Port Arthur, 45,348; Port Townsend, 80,868; San Francisco, 29,881; Portland, Ore., 1,541. Total, 6,248,555 bales.

All of the army officers nominated to be brigadier generals for retirement were confirmed by the Senate yesterday.

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ELKINS' BILL TO PROHIBIT REBATES

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Cochran, Democrat, Branded One of Hepburn's Statements a Deliberate Lie. The Bill an Attempt to Bunco People—The Sundry Bill.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—Under the operation of a special order which cut off opportunity to offer amendments, the House, after a debate of an hour to-day, by a vote of 341 to 6, passed the Elkins bill to prohibit rebates to shippers. The six members who voted against the bill were Democrats. Mr. Littlefield, of Maine, was present, but did not vote on either the rule or the bill. The Democrats protested against the rigorous terms of the rule. It should be their purpose, they said, to offer the provisions of the Littlefield bill as an amendment to the bill. Mr. Dalzell, of Pennsylvania; Mr. Overstreet, of Indiana, and Mr. Hepburn, of Iowa, practically announced that with the passage of the Elkins bill the anti-trust legislation for this session of Congress would be complete. During the debate Mr. Cochran, of Missouri, branded one of Mr. Hepburn's statements as a "deliberate lie." Contrary to the usual custom, this strong language had no sequel.

The remainder of the session was devoted to the Sundry Civil Appropriation bill, which was practically completed. No effort was made to pass it, as there was no quorum present.

Mr. Dalzell, of Pennsylvania, presented the rule, which provided for an hour's debate and a vote on the bill and committee amendments at the end of that time without intervening motion. The previous question being ordered on the adoption of the rule, twenty minutes debate on each side was allowed under the rules. Mr. Dalzell contented himself with a very brief explanation. He said the provisions of the measure were familiar to all, that it was one phase of anti-trust legislation which should receive consideration.

Mr. Richardson, the Democratic leader, protested that there was no emergency which required such a drastic course as the special order proposed. It permitted no opportunity to amend or recommit the bill.

Mr. Underwood, of Alabama, said he favored the passage of the bill, but he protested that it did not go far enough.

Mr. Cannon called attention to the fact that less than three weeks of the session remained, and to the backward state of appropriation bills and other imperative measures. In the House, he said, it was possible to put through legislation. In the Senate, business at this stage was practically by unanimous consent. Public sentiment demanded trust regulation. The pending bill, he declared, would do more to solve some of the troublous questions than any other. It would prevent favored rates to favored shippers and place all on an equal footing. He urged the House to take what it could now and try for more later on.

Mr. Littlefield attempted to get in with an inquiry, but Mr. Dalzell declined to yield him the time. He, however, got a minute from Mr. Richardson. In that minute he called attention to the word "wilful" before "failure" in the provision imposing penalties for the "wilful" failure of carriers to publish and observe rates. He said the word ought to come out and that Senator Elkins, the author of the bill, agreed with him.

Mr. DeArmond, Missouri, denied emphatically that the country was demanding the enactment of the bill. "It will do no good," said he, "and the people foremost in urging it know it. That is the reason they urge it." [Democratic applause.] "There was nothing in the bill," he said, "that was not on the statute books except the clauses repealing existing penalty provisions of law. To repeal those penalties," he said, "was the real purpose." The bill, he declared, was an attempt to "bunco" the people and to prevent the offering of amendments the majority dare not vote against."

Mr. Overstreet, of Indiana, in support of the rule, pointed out the three features of anti-trust legislation the majority had set out to place upon statute books—to expedite cases, to secure publicity of the corporations methods of doing business, and to prevent discrimination and rebates by railroads. Provisions covering all three subjects had passed the House and two had passed the Senate.

Mr. Dalzell said the reasons given on the other side against the rule were the best that could be offered for its adoption. They had all said they were for the bill, good or bad. Two-thirds of the anti-trust legislation was now passed. With this measure the present legislative programme for the regulation of trusts would be complete.

Mr. Richardson concluded the debate on his side and urged the House to vote down the rule and compel the production of another that would open the bill to amendment.

The roll was called and the rule was adopted—140 to 110, a strict party vote.

The debate upon the bill proper then proceeded. Mr. Cochran, of Missouri, characterized the bill as a "brazen and shameless" imposition upon the credulity of the people. His argument was chiefly directed against the repealing of all the provisions of existing law making officers and agents of railroads guilty of discrimination, punishable by fine and imprisonment.

Mr. Shackleford, of Missouri, denounced the course of the majority in refusing to permit the minority to offer as an amendment the Littlefield bill passed last Saturday.

Mr. Sulzer, of New York, in closing the debate for the minority claimed the authorship of a provision in the bill.

Mr. Hepburn, of Iowa, said he could not concede Mr. Sulzer's claim to the authorship, as the language referred to was in the present law.

During the course of Mr. Hepburn's remarks, he denied a statement previously made by Mr. Cochran, that the bill relieved individual officers of railroads. "I say there is no repeal from first to last in all this legislation——" he was saying when Mr. Cochran sought to interrupt him.

"I prefer not to yield," said Mr. Hepburn.

"Mr. Cochran — The gentlemen ought not to refer to the "gentleman from Missouri," if he does not mean to yield.

Mr. Hepburn—I ought to refer to the gentleman at any time when he deliberately misstates a proposition.

Mr. Cochran—I brand that as a deliberate lie. I did not deliberately mis-state the question.

Mr. Hepburn—Then ignorantly. The gentleman can take either proposition. I say there is no repeal of the present statute making culpable and responsible, criminally, the individual under the interstate commerce law.

In the three bills which were to become law, speaking of the entire programme for trust regulation, he said, he believed Congress had struck the "happy medium" with regard to this vexed question, "the least injury to the individual and the most good to the public."

The vote then was taken on the passage of the bill. It was passed—341 to 6. Those voting in the negative were Messrs. Cochran and DeArmond, Democrats, of Missouri; Glass, Democrat, of Virginia; Hooker, Democrat, of Mississippi; Kiutzs, Democrat, of North Carolina; Neville, Democrat, of Nebraska.

The House adjourned until to-morrow.

A BANK FAILURE.

First National at Asbury Park, N. J., Closed and a Receiver Placed in Charge

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—The First National Bank of Asbury Park, N. J., was closed to-day by direction of the controller of the currency, and National Bank Examiner John W. Scoffield was placed in charge as receiver. The bank was closed because of losses which absorbed the surplus and undivided profits and seriously impaired the bank's capital. The capital stock of the bank is $100,000; deposits, $253,275; resources, $523,719.

ASBURY PARK, N. J.—The Monmouth Trust and Safe Deposit Company, which had offices in the building occupied by the First National Bank, closed its doors to day. The officials of the trust company said that this was due to prevent a run on the institution. They said that the institution was in good shape. The excitement here was intense and crowds surrounded both institutions.

DIAMOND ROBBERY.

Five Thousand Dollars Worth Taken from a Jewelry Store at Tampa.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

TAMPA, FLA., February 13.—Five thousand dollars' worth of diamonds were stolen from Adams' jewelry store between 5 and 6 o'clock this afternoon. No one was noticed acting suspiciously, but the diamonds were seen at 5 o'clock and were gone at 6 o'clock. The chief of police was immediately notified, and after a search, two men were arrested. One man was identified by a man to whom he had attempted to sell diamonds a few minutes before. The other man was found in possession of one of the stolen rings. The men gave their names as Lawrence and Penn.

SCHOONERS SUNK.

The Master and Two White Men of One of the Vessels Drowned.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 13.—A special from Washington, N. C., says during the gale of Thursday night the schooner *Manco* was capsized in Swan Quarter bay. Captain Robert Wescott, master, and two white men were drowned. Reports are conflicting, but one rumor is that five negroes of the boat's crew were drowned. The same evening in Pamlico river, off Fork Point, two miles distant from the city, the schooner *Father and Son* was sunk. The crew, two in number, were saved.

ALLEGED WHITE-CAPPERS.

Vigorous Action Taken by Authorities in Franklin County, Miss.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

VICKSBURG, MISS., February 13.—Judge Truly and District Attorney Ratcliff have inaugurated a vigorous campaign against several alleged Franklin county white-cappers. Thirteen arrests have been made. To-day warrants were issued for the arrest of twenty-two others, among whom are said to be several prominent men. Advices from Knoxville, Miss., the county seat, state that consternation has been caused by the action of the authorities.

FATAL SHOOTING.

Dr. J. I. Tharp Killed by Frank Rucker at Washington, Ga.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, GA., Feb. 13.—Dr. J. I. Tharp, a physician of this place, was shot and instantly killed here today. Frank Rucker, who claims that Tharp had insulted his wife, was arrested, charged with having committed the crime. The shooting occurred in the public road in front of Rucker's house. It is not known whether any words passed between the two men. Rucker fired one shot, the bullet taking effect in Dr. Tharp's breast and causing instant death.

WARM WIRELETS.

The Senate Committee on Postoffices and Postroads has decided to amend the Postoffice Appropriation bill by adding as an amendment the Omnibus Statehood bill. The vote on the motion to amend was 8 to 5.

The Bolivian government, yesterday afternoon, delivered its reply to the ultimatum presented by the Brazilian minister, Senor Santos Lisboa. Bolivia accepts unconditionally but under protest all the Brazilian demands.

The town of Grimesland, Pitt county, N. C, was practically wiped out by fire yesterday afternoon. Eleven builings, including warehouses and the town hall, were destroyed. The loss is placed at $25,000; one-fourth covered by insurance.

Senator Elkins has consulted members of the Committee on Interstate Commerce and secured an agreement to concur in the amendments to the Elkins anti-rebate bill passed by the House yesterday when it was received by the Senate. This action will pass the bill.

At Clarksville, Tenn., While endeavoring to protect his father and sister from the attacks of an infuriated brother, Charles Davidson shot and instantly killed Al. Davidson. Charles Davidson served in the Philippines as a member of the First Tennessee volunteers.

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PROTOCOLS SIGNED BY THE ALLIES.

Providing for Raising Venezuela Blockade and Reference of Questions to The Hague.

THREE WEEKS NEGOTIATING.

Venezuela Makes Two Distinct Gains. Immediate Raising of the Blockade and Return of All Vessels Captured by the Allies

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—Herbert W. Bowen, Venezuela's representative in the peace negotiations at Washington, to-night signed with each of the allies' representatives here a protocol providing for the immediate raising of the Venezuelan blockade and for the reference of the question of preferential treatment of the claims of the allies against Venezuela to The Hague arbitration tribunal.

Mr. Bowen signed a duplicate for Venezuela, Sir Michael Herbert for Great Britain, Signor Mayor des Planches for Italy and Baron Speck von Sternberg for Germany. Immediately on the signing of the last protocol cables were dispatched to London, Berlin and Rome announcing the fact. It is expected that the commanders of the blockading fleet within the next twenty-four hours will receive their orders to withdraw their vessels at once.

By the provisions of these preliminary protocols, which have required more than three weeks of constant negotiations, Venezuela makes two distinct gains, the immediate raising of a blockade from which she has been suffering for some weeks, and the return of all her vessels, war and merchant, which have been captured by the allied fleet.

Great Britain, Germany and Italy receive advance payments of five thousand five hundred pounds each, Great Britain receiving her payment on the signature of the protocol and Germany and Italy within thirty or sixty days from date. Germany, in addition, will receive five monthly instalments until the full amount paid her in advance aggregates $340,000.

As guarantee for the satisfaction of their claims Mr. Bowen pledges the allies a share with the other creditor nations in thirty per cent. of the customs receipts of the two ports of La Guaira and Porto Cabello. This percentage will be set aside beginning March 1st, and retained in the Venezuelan treasury until The Hague tribunal decides whether it shall be distributed without preference among all the claimant nations, or whether the allied powers of Great Britain, Germany and Italy shall receive preferential payments.

Italy by her protocol gains immediate payment of her first class of claims, without further adjudication, as soon as the joint commission at Caracas shall have passed on the remainder of her claims. In round numbers the adjudicated Italian claims amount to $560,000, from which will be subtracted the $27,500 to be paid her sixty days from the signature of her first protocol.

The protocols in providing for references of the question of preferential treatment to The Hague do not state in detail the methods of procedure by which the case is to be laid before the tribunal. This will be done in a second set of protocols, the preparation of which will begin at once.

Upon the signing of the protocols to-night congratulations were signed by the four negotiators. Mr. Bowen then dispatched a brief cablegram to President Castro, informing him of the signature of the protocols providing for the immediate raising of the blockade.

German Criticism.

BERLIN, February 13.—A semi-official answer to the criticisms of the German government "for allowing the United States to have anything to do with the negotiations between the co-operating powers and Venezuela" was issued to-day, which says:

"The United States' participation in the settlement of the Venezuelan controversy is regarded in many quarters as unfortunate and as hindering the result of the negotiations. Certainly we would have reached the object desired more rapidly and better if we had been let alone with Venezuela, but every politician who knows the A. B. C. of this question knew absolutely in advance that we would not have been alone. Means for eliminating the United States from the controversy of the European powers with Venezuela there were not and there are not now. A statesman who had acted on this assumption would have lost the game from the start. The patriotic publicists who call for treating this question according to the Bismarckian method, can rest assured that this method is being applied. Carefully nursing the friendship of the United States is a Bismarckian tradition as documents testify. In his relations with the United States he never wore cuirassirs boots as is now so often demanded, and in the Samoa question he was perhaps less exacting than his present successor."

TRIAL OF A. L. BISHOP.

Eleven Jurors Secured Yesterday--Another Venire Ordered for To-day.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Feb. 13.—The entire time of the Superior Court was occupied to-day in the work of selecting a jury to try Arthur L. Bishop, the travelling salesman, who is under indictment for the murder of Thomas J. Wilson. When the special venire of 100 men had been exhausted, just before adjournment of court for the day, eleven jurors had been secured. A special venire of twenty five men was summoned from which to select the twelfth juror to-morrow morning when the hearing of the case will be commenced.

COAL STRIKE COMMISSION.

Will Meet in Washington, D. C., Next Thursday to Consider Its Awards.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 13.—The anthracite coal strike commission, after being in continous session for more than three months closed its open hearings to-day with an all-day argument by Clarence S. Darrow in behalf of the miners. The commission will meet in secret in Washington next Thursday and begin the consideration of its awards. It is expected that by the end of this month the arbitrators will be ready to make their announcement.

Johnson's Chill and Fever Tonic will drive out every trace and taint of Grip Poison from the blood and do its work quick and do it right. Old and neglected cases of Grip are quickly cured by a course of this wonderful medicine. Write to A. B. Girardeau, Savannah, Ga., for Agency. †

Church Notices.

First Baptist Church, Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, D. D., pastor. 11 A. M. "The Quick and the Dead;" 7:30 P. M., "Son Remember."

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Rev. Dr Dickinson, rector: Morning service and sermon at 11 A. M., Sunday school at 3:30 P. M.; evening service and sermon at 7:45 P. M. Seats free. Everybody welcome.

First Presbyterian Church, Rev. John M. Wells, Ph. D., pastor. Divine services at 11 A. M., conducted by the pastor. Sunday school at 4 P. M. Prayer meeting on Thursdays at 8 P. M. The public cordially invited to all services. Seats free.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Alex. D. McClure, D. D., pastor. Divine services at 11 A. M. and 7 30 P. M. Sabbath School at 3:30 P. M. Prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday at 8:00 P. M. The public invited. Seats free.

Brooklyn Baptist Church, corner Fourth and Brunswick Sts. Rev. J. L. Vipperman, pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 A. M. and 7 30 P. M. Sunday School at 3.30 P. M. Weekly prayer and praise meeting Wednesday at 8 P. M. Strangers and visitors are cordially invited to all services.

Religious services will be conducted at the Seaman's Bethel to-morrow, (Sabbath) afternoon at 3 o'clock, by Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D. Seamen and rivermen are especially invited. All are welcome.

Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Front street near Queen. Rev. C. W. Trawick, pastor. Divine services to-morrow at 11 a. M. and 7 30 P. M. Sunday school at 3.30 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 8 o'clock, conducted by the Christian Endeavor society. A cordial welcome to all.

Bladen Street Methodist Church, corner of Fifth and Bladen streets. Rev. Geo. H. Webster, pastor. Service Sunday 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school, J. B. Taylor, superintendent, 3:30 P. M. Mid-week prayer service Wednesday 7:30 P. M. A cordial welcome to all.

Grace M. E. Church, corner of Grace and Fourth streets. Pastor, Rev. J. N. Cole. Services Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. and 8:00 p. m. Sunday School, W. B. Cooper, supt., 3:30 p. m. Weekly prayer meeting Wednesday at 8:00 p. m. A cordial welcome to all. Visitors to the city especially invited. Seats free.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets. There will be services every Sunday night at 8 o'clock. Sunday School at 3.30 P. M.

Southside Baptist Church corner Fifth and Wooster. Services Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school at 3 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 8 o'clock. Young Men's meeting Friday night at 8 o'clock.

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BUSINESS LOCALS.

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Advertisements in this department bring good results. feb 14 tf

Wanted—Twenty shares Blue Ridge National Bank Asheville, N. C., at 134½. Hugh MacRae & Co., Bankers, feb 14 1t

Cotton Sale—Will be sold by public outcry on the premises of the "Champion Compress Co" at Wilmington, N. C., on Wednesday, February 18th, at 3 P. M., 288 bales Sea Island Cotton landed ex steamship "Daventry," having been damaged by water. This above to be sold in lots not to exceed ten bales. C. B. Wheldon, Representing Underwriters. feb 14 4t

Wanted—Male Stenographer by wholesale house. State experience and salary expected. Apply to own handwriting to "Wholesale," care MORNING STAR. feb 12 3t

Cabbage, Cabbage—Just received, car of fine Danish Cabbage. Also Bananas, Apples, Sweet and Irish Potatoes, Butter, &c. 'Both 'Phones. A. S. Wilstead. feb 8 tf

To Exchange—I have a fine deer dog which I wish to exchange for a first-class opossum and coon dog. Address John G. Wagner, care F. W. Ortmann, Wilmington, N. C. jan 20 1

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Chairman Streets and Wharves Committee.
feb 13 3t

DR. CURRY'S FUNERAL.

Will Be Held in Richmond, Va., Sunday. Interment in Hollywood.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., Feb. 13.—Funeral services over the remains of Dr. Jabez L. M. Curry, who died here last night, will be conducted in Richmond, Va., Sunday afternoon. The exercises will be held in the little chapel of Richmond College, where Dr. Curry once held the chair in English language and philosophy. The funeral services will be presided over by Rev. Galloway of the Methodist Church, South, of Mississippi; Rev. W. C. Bitting, D. D., of New York, and Rev. W. W. Landrum, of Atlanta, Ga. The interment will take place in Hollywood cemetery.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

LOW ROUND TRIP

Rates From Wilmington

Mardi-Gras, New Orleans, La., Feb. 18th-24th, 1903. Dates of sale Feb. 17th to 23rd, inclusive. Final limit Feb. 28th. Rate, $25.00. By deposit of tickets by original purchasers with Mr. Joseph Richardson, special agent, New Orleans, not earlier than Feb. 18th nor later than Feb. 28th and upon payment of fee of 50 cts. per ticket at time of deposit an extension of the final limit to a date not later than March 14th, 1903, may be obtained.

Mardi-Gras, Pensacola, Fla., and Mobile, Ala., Feb. 18th to 24th, 1903. Dates of sale Feb. 17th to 23rd, inclusive. Final limit Feb. 28th. By deposit of tickets by original purchasers (personally) with Jos. Richardson, special agent, not earlier than Feb. 18th nor later than Feb. 28th, and upon payment of fee of 50 cents per ticket at time of deposit an extension of the final limit to a date not later than March 14th, 1903, may be obtained. Rate to Pensacola, $22.45; to Mobile, $22 95.

W. J. CRAIG,
Approved: Gen'l Passenger Agent.
H. M. EMERSON,
Traffic Manager.
nov 15 tf

Notice of Dissolution.

The copartnership heretofore existing between the undersigned under the firm name and style of Vollers & Hashagen has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. H. L. Vollers, having purchased all of the interest of F. E. Hashagen in the said firm, is alone authorized to collect the debts owing to the said firm, and has assumed and will pay all the liabilities of the same.

Dated this 7th day of February, 1903, at Wilmington, N. C.

H. L. VOLLERS,
F. E. HASHAGEN.

NOTICE.

The undersigned having purchased all of the interest of F. E. Hashagen in the firm of Vollers & Hashagen, will hereafter conduct the business carried on by the said firm at the old stand under the name of H. L. Vollers.

Dated at Wilmington, N. C., this 7th day of February, 1903.

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TO THE PUBLIC!

Having had a total loss by fire, of my entire stock of goods on the morning of February 11th, and the destruction of the building as well, I have opened my office at No. 113 North Front street, formerly occupied by The Murchison National Bank. Desirous of adjusting all my claims, I'll ask these indebted to me for the prompt payment of their accounts. This is absolutely necessary in order that I may again resume business Thanking a generous public for past patronage, I am respectfully,

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Statement of The Peoples' Savings Bank,

OF WILMINGTON, N. C.

At the close of business February 5th, 1903, condensed from report to Corporation Commission. (Began business April, 1900.)

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts	$ 305,135 28	Capital Stock.....	$ 30,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures.....	199 90	Profits, less expenses and taxes paid.	11 076 00
Cash on hand and due from Banks..	86 673 6	Deposits.....	380 934 31
Total.....	$ 422,008 31	Total.....	$ 422,008 31

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF DEPOSIT.

February 6th, 1901, $300,914 15 February 6th, 1902, $397,934 37. February 6th, 1903, $380,935 31.

H. C. McQUEEN, President. JNO. S. ARMSTRONG, Vice President.
feb 11 tf F. W. DICK, Cashier.

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